# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
# LOK SABHA

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TELECASTING OF FILMS
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**Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether some private channels are prepared to telecast the films based of social welfare projects of the society;

(b) if so, the types of the films likely to be telecast along with the subjects;

(c) the manner in which the public welfare programmes are likely to be selected;

(d) the private channels on which these films are proposed to be telecast; and

(e) the total expenditure likely to be incurred thereon?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SMT. MANEKA GANDHI)

(a to b) The Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment is the nodal Ministry for thewelfare and development of various disadvantaged, marginalised and weaker sections of society and for the welfare of animals. This Ministry therefore plays a proactive role in sensitizing the opinion leaders, change agents and the public about the plighat of these sections, the irrational prejudices that work against them and in bringing about attitudinal changes for eliciting social support, encouraging initiatives at community, non-government and local level in ameliorating the lot of these sections.

With a view to meeting this objective the Ministry has produced severalshort documentary films on the themes of development and welfare of SCs, STs OBCs, Minorities, disabled, the elderly, neglected and street children, welfare ofanimals as well as on alcohol and drug abuse prevention etc. The Ministry had approached Doordarshan and some private channels for telecasting these films. Doordarshan has commenced the telecasts but the private channels have not yet responded.

(e) Does not arise.